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## **Alternate Spill Available for Commercial Vessels**

An alternate spill pattern to be used during vessel lockage is available, as of April 14, 2008, for commercial navigation at McNary Lock & Dam, CO River mile 292; the guidelines for implementing the alternate plan are as follows:

**If requested by a navigation vessel under load, the Project operator is authorized to temporarily use the alternate spill pattern for spills below 66 kcfs until the vessel has safely cleared the eddy downstream of the project. The operator will minimize the amount of time using this alternative spill pattern. This may result in a 15-30 minute delay for the towboats while waiting at the downstream guide wall for the powerhouse operator to modify the spill pattern.**

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